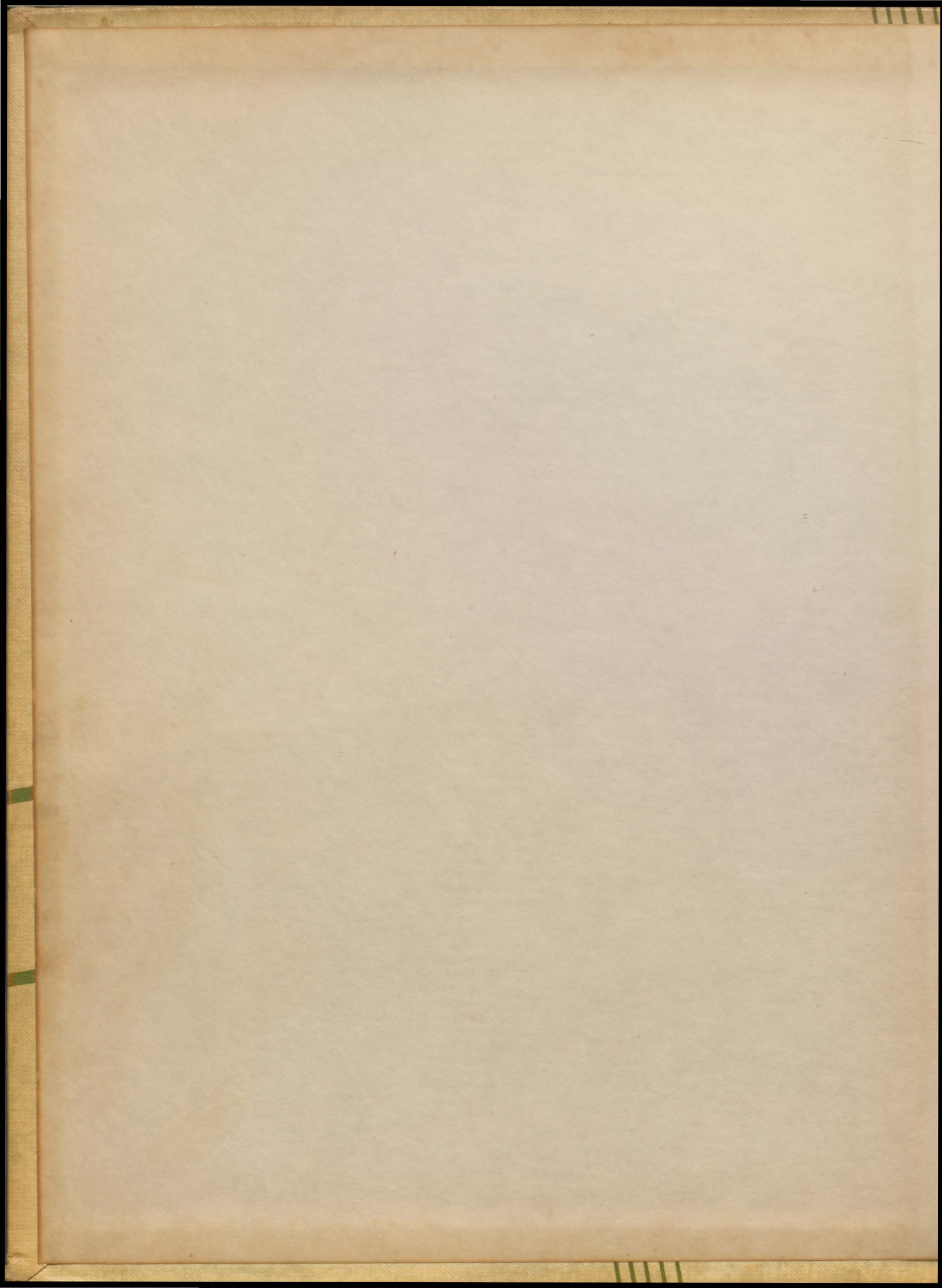




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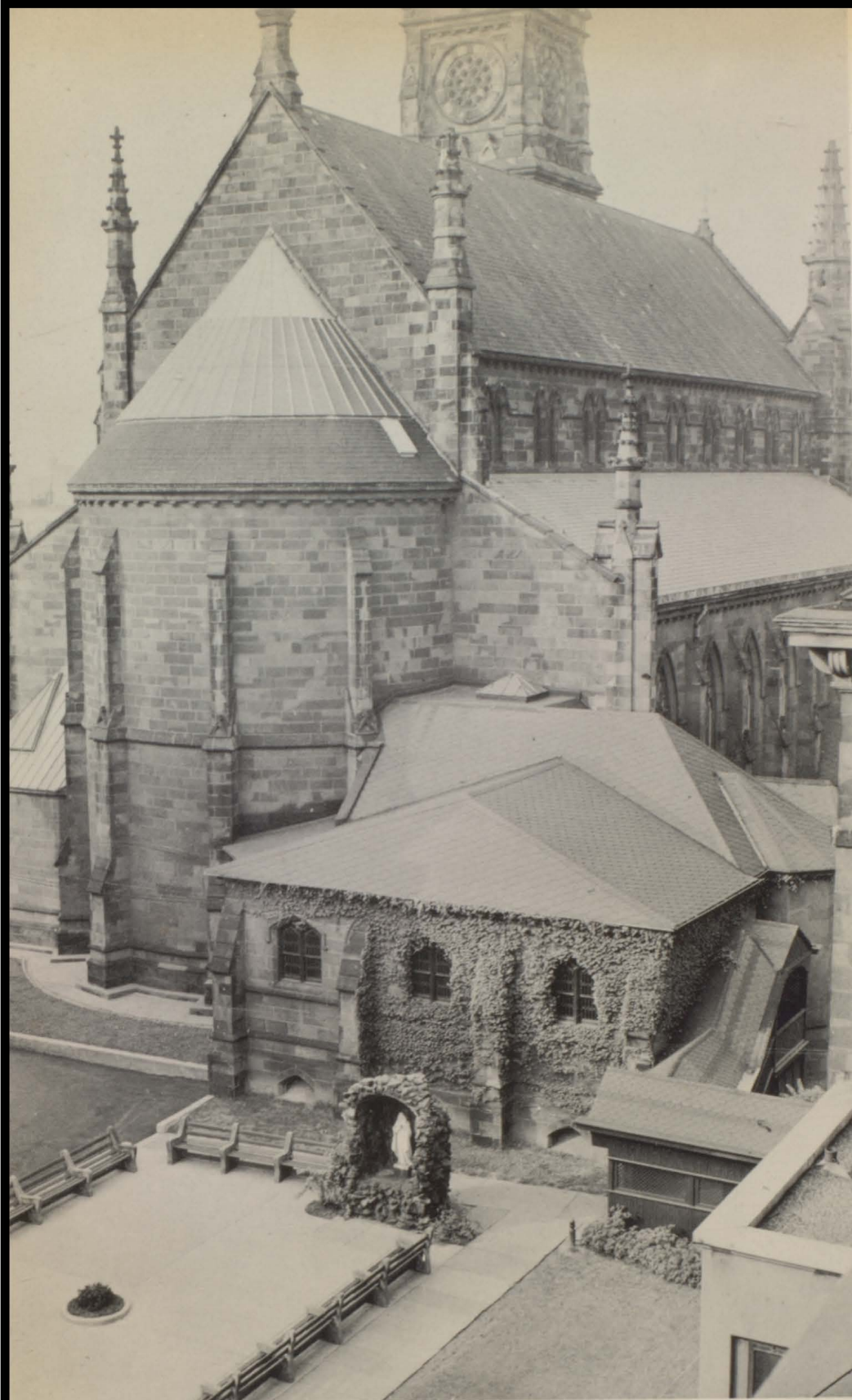


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The Administration of Saint James High School has been responsible for maintaining the high standards for which our school has been known. Throughout the years of its existence, although the administration has been changed several times, their individual purposes and aims have never altered. Each person who has been a part of the High School, whether as an administrator or as a member of the faculty, has always had as their primary objective the Catholic education of young men and women. The spiritual and social aspects of education, linked with the academic, are united by the unfaltering steadiness of their Christian principles.

No member of Saint James' faculty today, any more than in the past, is ever too busy to take time to discuss any problem with a student. Their willingness to participate in extra-curricular functions does much to strengthen student-administration relationships.

# **"The 1957 Pelican"**

## **ST. JAMES HIGH SCHOOL**

**ELM STREET, NEWARK, NEW JERSEY**





## **The Most Reverend Thomas A. Boland S.T.D.**

ARCHBISHOP OF NEWARK

Much preparation is made for the Christian Education of Youth; that is, that the mind of Christ may be formed in each of us. Our most Reverend Archbishop has played no small part in this preparation. We can truly say because of him:

**“Our Salvation Is Closer To Us Now Than  
When We First Learned To Believe”**

ROMANS 13: 11



# DEDICATION



**SISTER ELAINE MARIE**

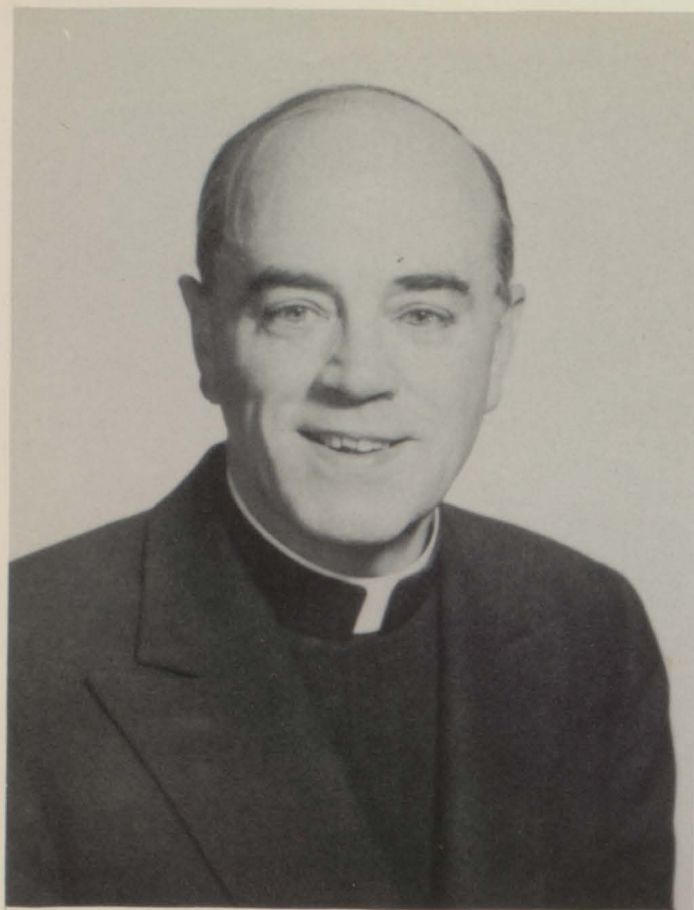
**PRINCIPAL**

In deep appreciation of the endless co-operation, heart warming aid, and countless favors bestowed upon St. James High School, the members of the Senior Class, wish to dedicate this year's edition of the annual yearbook to our dear principal, Sister Elaine Marie.

Establishing in the hearts of the students the true way of life was not an easy job, but we now realize the job of the Christian burden that will rest upon our shoulders after graduation. It is to Sister Elaine that we owe our sincere thanks for the example her life among us has been in preparing us, the students, for our future years.



## *We Appreciate the Guidance They Give*



REVEREND FRANCIS J. GRADY  
Pastor



REVEREND CHARLES J. MCCARTHY  
Religion



REVEREND JOHN J. MANNION  
Religion, Athletic Director



REVEREND ALBERT G. DREW  
Religion



## And the Example They Set



SISTER ELAINE MARIE

SISTER MARY ANITA  
Religion  
English  
Spanish

SISTER MARY SHEILA  
Religion  
Stenography  
Typewriting





MR. JOSEPH MIELE  
Bookkeeping  
Business Training  
Consumers Education



MR. LUDWIG ZELTVAY  
Economics  
Science  
History



MR. JOHN BINGERT  
English  
American History



MISS ANNE CUIDERA  
Physical Education



MR. JOHN MURPHY  
Coach

MRS. CARMEN FEDERICI  
Music  
Glee Club



MISS DOLORES ZYMEK  
Nurse







**"Introibo ad altare Dei" . . .**

**. . . "To God Who Giveth Joy to my Youth."**

***Seniors***



## President

EILEEN RAFTERY

"EI"

110 Monroe Street  
Newark, New Jersey

One of the most attractive and most popular girls in the senior class, Eileen is the possessor of a happy-go-lucky disposition that is the envy of all. Known for her good nature, politeness, and pleasing personality. These qualities plus many others caused the seniors to elect her president. May she down all opposition in future life, and achieve the peak of success as she did in Saint James.

## CLASS

### Treasurer

ANTHONY VAZ

"TONY"

200 Elm Street  
Newark, New Jersey

One of the most likable boys in the Senior Class is Tony. He is more like a brother than a classmate to most of us. Noted for his dancing ability, Tony could compete with Fred Astaire any day. Good luck in all that you attempt, "Tony." You deserve it!





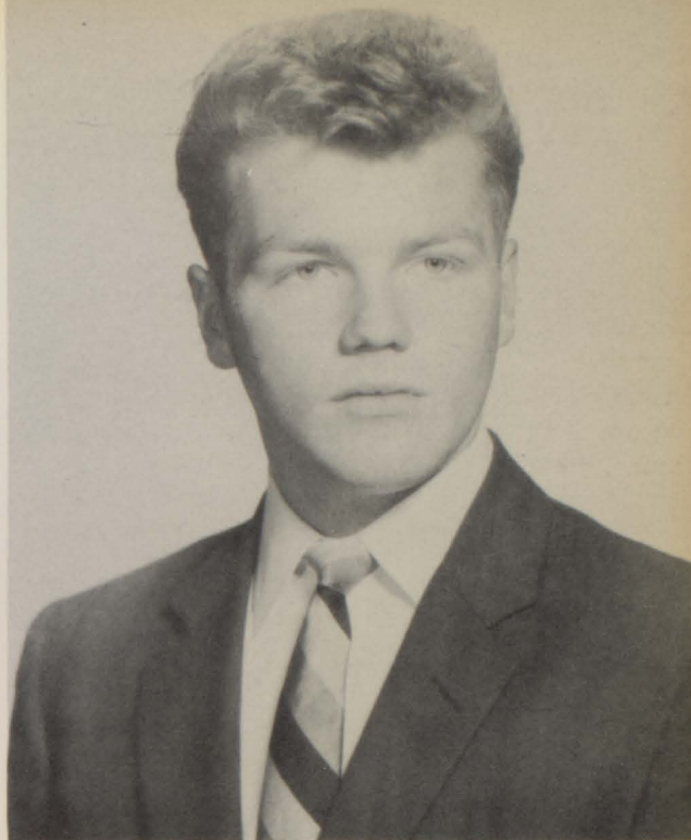
## ***Vice-President***

PATRICK O'HARA

18 Oraton Street  
Newark, New Jersey

"PAT"

Always a gentleman and one of the "Famous Five." Noted for his blue eyes, crew cut, and athletic shoulders. "A good sport," but we can't limit the title to the playing field, although "Pat" participated in a wide variety of activities proudly wearing the maroon and white of St. James. Pat also has a good quality of leadership. Whenever something has to be done we can always turn to Pat and it will be done right.



## **OFFICERS**

### ***Secretary***

MARLENE BROCK

183 North 7 Street  
Newark, New Jersey

"MARTY"

Her halo of shining curls and her pixie-like expression set off by a flair for smart, casual style, was our first impression of Marlene. "Beware" of a flashy new convertible for Marlene's favorite pastime is trying to beat red lights. This pert beauty who enlivened many a dull day in school, in her own demure fashion captivated the friendship of all of us.





## MARY ARPAIO

"MARE"

92 Warwick Street  
Newark, New Jersey

The dark-haired baby-faced young lady, whose primary interest lies in the field of business is always on hand when a gab-fest is on the way. Never flustered; she is always willing to try hard and stick with a job until it is finished. Sweet and sensible, her time is your time "a friend to all."

## GERALDINO BOTTINO

32 Warwick Street  
Newark, New Jersey

"GERRY"

A flashing smile, a ready wit, and a most delightful personality are Gerry's trademarks. Never has she failed to lend a helping hand when it was most needed. We will miss her for her engaging manner, the mischievous twinkle in her brown eyes, and a truly enjoyable sense of humor. We'll all miss you, Gerry, so here's wishing you all the luck and success a sweet girl like you deserves.





## BRENDA CARLSON

12 Hoover Street  
North Arlington, New Jersey

"BREN"

The tall young girl with her short honey brown hair matching a honey dripping disposition is none other than "Our" Brenda. Honestly, where she gets all her pep and liveliness from we'll never know. Her slim figure cuts an unusually characteristic pose as she struts around in her latest fashions. To be a private secretary is her aim, and knowing her, we may assure ourselves that she will succeed.



## AGNES CHURCHILL

162 Vermont Avenue  
Newark, New Jersey

"AGGIE"

Come rain, snow, sleet, or any other disturbing influence, rest assured that Agnes will never be found to be out of sorts or short of temper. This placid lass has found the way to look to the rosey side of things, and take common crisis in her stride. Our competent lass never failed to present a meticulously perfect job in all her efforts.





## CONCETTA DePALMA

"CHET"

73 New York Avenue  
Newark, New Jersey

Soft, brown hair and languid grace, "Chet" personifies good humor. We can't remember her without a gentle smile playing about her lips. She and her close knit circle of friends made up a congenial group around a lively lunch table every day in the cafeteria, where all good pals meet to discuss the events of the day. "Always happy, cheery, gay, that's the secret of her winning way."

## ARLENE DURL

"DIMPLES"

224 So. Orange Avenue  
Newark, New Jersey

Her reserved smile and quiet manner gave Arlene a special distinction among the chattering groups in the Senior Class during our four years. She was an obliging, hard worker, solicitous of other peoples' needs and willing to lend a hand or ear to the newest problem or the latest thrill. With her many good qualities, we are sure, she will succeed in everything she may undertake.





## MARY FLYNN

409 Tremont Avenue  
Orange, New Jersey

"MARE"

Irish blue eyes...pleasant smile, blushes easily, is fun loving and is a constant talker. She has the great art of explaining herself out of any predicament. She looks like an angel and acts like one too, but you never can tell what angels can do. She is far from a quiet lass. That is why she's liked so well in class.



## EDWARD GILROY

378 So. 12 Street  
Newark, New Jersey

"EDDIE"

Newark's contribution to the senior class is Eddie. A loyal and staunch companion, he has won many friends during his four years at St. James High. He is the most likable youth in the school. Eddie is a jovial fellow and would do anything to help his friends. He is noted for his sense of humor. He showed great ability in basketball during his two years on the varsity team.





## MARY HELEWA

"MAR"

241 Ferry Street  
Newark, New Jersey

She was the dark-haired, quiet voiced member of the class whose face reflected perfect understanding while the rest of us were likely to be caught with a puzzled expression. A special knack for listening and observing gave her a rich insight into situations.

## JOSEPHINE IMPOSIMATO

"JO"

76 Richlieu Terrace  
Newark, New Jersey

Josephine has a truly "rare" sense of humor, the kind you find only in those girls who rate high on everyone's list. When there are bells to be rung this girl is "Johnnie on the spot." She has a talent for the social whirl complemented by her dancing feet.





## MAUREEN LEBO

72 Waydell Street  
Newark, New Jersey

"MAURIE"

A shy, soft-spoken, gentle girl, Maureen's graciousness impressed us very definitely. Rare, blue eyes showed interest and appealing sympathy to every cause and she has a willingness to become a part of all our efforts. She never attempted to impress others as a student, yet, her reading list was lengthy and varied.



## AUDREY LEVAY

56 West Kinny Street  
Newark, New Jersey

"AUDIE"

A friend to all, Audrey's helping hand is continually reaching out to many. Studious and quiet, Audrey puts the best into everything she does. Her casual manner and pleasant smile endear her to all whom she chances to meet. Her constant good humor is proved by her vast number of intimates here at St. James.





## JAVITA MAESTRI

"RED"

468 So. 17 Street  
Newark, New Jersey

Slight, reanead, pert, little vixen -- first impression of Javita. Her sustaining virtues which combined made her a truly competent Captain of our Cheerleaders. We will never forget all the hard work that she put into trying to make us the best Cheerleaders ever. "Her eyes of green are filled to the brim, with mischief, fun, and plenty of vim."

## LORRAINE LOIHLE

"LORRY"

147 Court Street  
Newark, New Jersey

Flabbergasted at your latest gem of news, Lorraine was an avid, rather than just a good listener. In other words, she cared to be interested. Lorraine is that wonderful girl who'll laugh at your joke, even if she's heard it before, explains the point when you're a little dull, and you'll never go unsatisfied. We didn't become acquainted with Lorraine until she transferred here in her Junior year, but even though we've known her a short time we will never forget her.





## JOAN PIGNATORA

331 New York Avenue  
Newark, New Jersey

Five feet plus and full of fun, soft waves of brown hair, the gay, rakish air, and the "devil-may-care" sophistication of Joan is the real thing. She's an enlightening fresh element to any conversation, and is the girl who never just talks; but always says something which makes you glad you stopped to "chew the rag."

"JONI"



## ROBERT PLUMAKER

208 Smith Street  
Newark, New Jersey

"BOB"

A familiar sight in our classroom during our years at St. James has been Bob's captivating smile. He has marked talent in the commercial field and is a real friend to all who know him. Success is sure to be with you, Bob, no matter what you may undertake.





## STELLA REO

"STEL"

179 McWhorter Street  
Newark, New Jersey

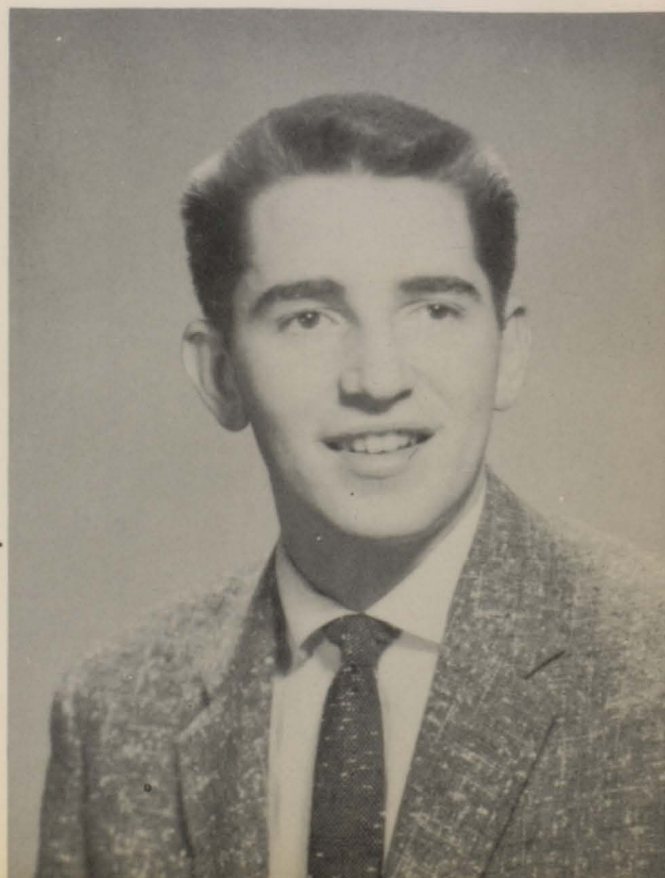
A quiet knowing smile, the kind that gives her the abiding impression that the wearer is really satisfied, was the smile that was Stella's. You see, Stella has made it a habit to "captivate" all who come in contact with her, with her warm charm and gentle manner. A bit of the dreamer, Stella aptly demonstrated sincere integrity when it was needed most.

## ROBERT RYAN

"BOB"

1592 Van Ness Terrace  
Union, New Jersey

One of the greatest losses to St. James this year is "Bob." Besides being one of the best basketball players, Bob is noted for his good nature, politeness and pleasing personality. Since he is a born mixer, he readily makes friends with everyone. Never flustered, he is always willing to try hard and stick with a job until it's finished.





## THOMAS THEISS

117 Midland Place  
Newark, New Jersey

Although of a quiet retiring manner, Tom is well liked by all. Sincere, thoughtful, and friendly.... "Tim" abounds in those qualities that go to make a staunch companion. A strong determination to succeed will carry him far in life.

"TIM"



## WILLIAM THEISS

117 Midland Place  
Newark, New Jersey

"BILL"

Bill has the rare combination of happy-go-luckiness and deep-thinking. It is doubtful whether any of us has ever seen Bill in ill humor or with a frown on his merry face. Bill, we the class of "57" wish you the best of everything, and we hope that all your future acquaintances will hold you in the same esteem we do.





## SUSAN TIERNEY

"SUE"

720 Clifton Avenue  
Newark, New Jersey

We didn't have the pleasure of knowing Sue until she transferred to St. James in her Junior year. What a time we had discovering the delightful humor which showed up in the mischievous gleam in her eyes. She made us laugh at so many things, and made us come to depend on her steady, considerate manner. Pep and energy were added to our cheering squad by her skill of natural ability.

## LUCILLE TRIANO

"LU"

25 Downing Street  
Newark, New Jersey

The sophisticated girl with dark hair and big brown eyes is none other than Lucille. She knows the proper thing at the proper time, and does it. She is the kind who is a lady among all, in fact a pretty, dainty lady, from shampooed head to well-polished toes. Her good taste in clothes, in friends, and in her whole natural manner showed us a key to the personality of "Lu."







Father Mannion blesses the rings before distributing them to the seniors.



Seniors rejoice after completion of ring ceremony.

The school ring is a symbol of the bond which exists between St. James High School and us who wear the ring. It is an image of the union existing between the Divine Teacher and His children. Its gold is a reminder of His love which transcends all knowledge and which transmutes us into the purest gold.

Its red stone recalls for us the great price of that Divine Love, paid for with His precious blood. For the rest of our lives this ring will remain the priceless image of our union with Him, and we pray, "Bless, Oh Lord, this ring."

There is a grave responsibility attached to the wearing of the ring, which obliges us to remember always to be a credit to that ring and what it stands for; never to tarnish it in any way by our action.

So it is with deep humility and with the greatest pride we shall take up the challenge and wear that ring in such a way that we will always reflect the highest credit on the school it represents.



Father Grady gives gentle counsel to his spiritual flock.



SISTER MARY SHEILA

With time marching on, we, the Graduating Class of 1957, realize that we will soon leave behind us the carefree days of youth and enter into a new world of maturity. This realization awakens in us a reminder of the one responsible for our last enjoyable years at St. James High School, our Senior Advisor, Sister Mary Sheila.

During her two years at St. James, Sister Sheila has worked earnestly and conscientiously for all those who have been entrusted to her care. Her zeal and enthusiasm have touched us all. To her we pay a heartfelt thank you and we trust that we shall reflect the exalted principles that she laid down for us during the past year.

The thought of our leaving brings with it the knowledge that from Sister Sheila's first day at St. James until now, her Christlike work has been of great value to us and will be to our successors. Therefore, it is with utmost respect, everlasting devotion, and earnest esteem, that we, the Class of 1957, express our appreciation to you Sister Mary Sheila, our understanding advisor, our true friend.





**"Suscipe, Sancte Pater" . . .**

**"This Spotless Host Which I Offer Unto Thee."**

**Classes**



# They Look Forward Eagerly to Their Senior Year

As we look back on our years at Saint James, we realize that the third year is one of the most important in our high school career; this is the final step before our long awaited dream is fulfilled - that of being seniors.

As the time for our graduation nears, we fondly turn to our Juniors; for we owe them a debt of gratitude for all they have done for us.

We salute our Juniors, and we know that with our departure, S.J.H. will be in most capable hands.



FIRST ROW: Katherine Ruane, Loretta Halpin, Mary Jean Grippo, Ann Capobianco, Beverly Foley, Betty Matuscsak. SECOND ROW: Gloria Frederico, Joan Vatcher, Ann Briody, Mary Gallacher, Claire Faas, Pat Mainiero, Margaret Walsh. THIRD ROW: Agnes McPadden, Mary Knapp, Elaine Matics, Rose Marie Damato, Maryann Pettitt, Grace Johnson, Mary Holler, Dolores Dula, Catherine Farrell, Pat Medenbach. FOURTH ROW: Arthur Connor, Eugene Heneghan, Bob Smith, Joe McDermott, Ralph Mezza, Bob Liput, Tom Ward, Don Stefanelli.



ENGROSSING MOMENTS IN AMERICAN HISTORY  
Joseph McDermott points out famous documents of our American History.

Robert Smith, President; Elaine Matics, Vice President; Claire Faas, Secretary; Robert Liput, Treasurer.



## Juniors



# The Class of "59" Spend Their Second Year With Us



FIRST ROW: Elizabeth Morris, Giovina Russo, Pat Lockwood, Joanne Torsiello, Joan Kelch, Florence Levay, Helen Abramsky, Pat Miller. SECOND ROW: Amy Amoresano, Josephine Cortazzo, Rosemarie Adams, Loretta Morris, Dorothy Kurtz, Judith Krebs, Mary Joyce Rox, Mary Shorie, Judith Wasilewski, Eleanor Sczylenska, Geraldine Grello, Dolores David, Mary Robshaw, Joan Cook, Sophie Yewaisis. THIRD ROW: Thomas Kerr, Michael Dolan, John Sinnott, John Solinski, Edward Schaefer, Thomas Kelly, Gerald Knight, Edward Shadis, Neil Duggan, Donald Jarvis, Louis Pastena, Michael Mezza, Robert Scareillo.

## Sophomores



CLASS OFFICERS: Patricia Lockwood, Treasurer; Dolores David, Secretary; Gerald Knight, President; Dorothy Kurtz, Vice President.

"Beginning Days in Spanish Find Sophomores Hard at Work."





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## The Class of '60



FIRST ROW: Joan Pallen, Madeline Macaluso, Lucille Juliano, Margaret Tamburino, Mary LeMeHaute. SECOND ROW: Lorraine Pfeifer, Nancy Maneri, Marie Pagano, Annette Leo, Mary Ellen Rafanello. THIRD ROW: Elizabeth Weiss, Margaret Phillips, Theresa Ruggiero, Christine Zukowski, Lucille Ryan, Margaret Sweeney. FOURTH ROW: Helen Nowakowski, Virginia Lennon, Ann MacEnroe, Florence Marcussen, Christine Russo. FIFTH ROW: Elaine Scott, Jean Mohren, Catherine McNair, Rose Malgeri. SIXTH ROW: Kathleen Ryan, Carol Rosler, Rose Mary Matthews, Mary Winters. SEVENTH ROW: Daniel Ur, Julius Spohn, Margaret Marion, Pat Quinn, Colette Sauriol, Mary Leszenska, Lillian Malloy.

## Freshmen



Theresa Ruggiero has temporarily taken over the job of instructing the freshmen in world history.



CLASS OFFICERS: President, Colette Sauriol; Vice President, Christine Russo; Secretary, Joan Pallen; Treasurer, Mary LeMeHaute.



## Arrived Filled With Enthusiasm



FRONT ROW: Lois Giordano, Kathleen Brady, Assunta Giordano, Diane Brotz, Charlotte Krenz, Camella Dominico, Rosemary Grieco, Otina Argentina, Joane Iacona, Carol Broderick, Beverly Bloom, Patricia Flannery. SECOND ROW: Alphonse Balevicz, Frank Garilis, Eileen Clines, Louis Angelone, Morris Guyton, Mary Billington, Natalie Ashurst, Margaret Gallagher, Patricia Buttor, Helen Heneghan, Barbara Godwin, Sarah Gallacher, Yvonne DePiro, Dolores Czarnik, Gretchen Karwacki, Joanne Aquilino, Lois Giordano, Robert Cummins. THIRD ROW: George Fuchs, John Gaven, Dolores Dangeleit, Alice Keller, Carol Cavanagh, Rose Granata, Geraldine Kotes, Marilyn Booth, Eileen Hines, Eileen Brady, John Bottino, Joseph Alves, John Fitzsimmons.



CLASS OFFICERS: Barbara Godwin, Secretary; Diane Brotz, President; Mary Billington, Vice President; Frank Garilis, Treasurer.

Carol Cavanagh learns that general business is early training in the commercial course.





## Typical Scenes of Senior Life . . .

. . .show us as we really are! We invite you to draw back the curtains of high school privacy and see us in our true-to-life poses. This is the way we spent our happy days at St. James High. . .



Just a friendly discussion between Mary, Joan, and Sister Sheila.



Be careful, Father Mannion, count those calories.



Able directed by Sister Mary Anita, Lucille, Eileen, and Agnes have taken part in the Seton Forensic League.



Doctor Flax doses out to Bill some of his own medicine.

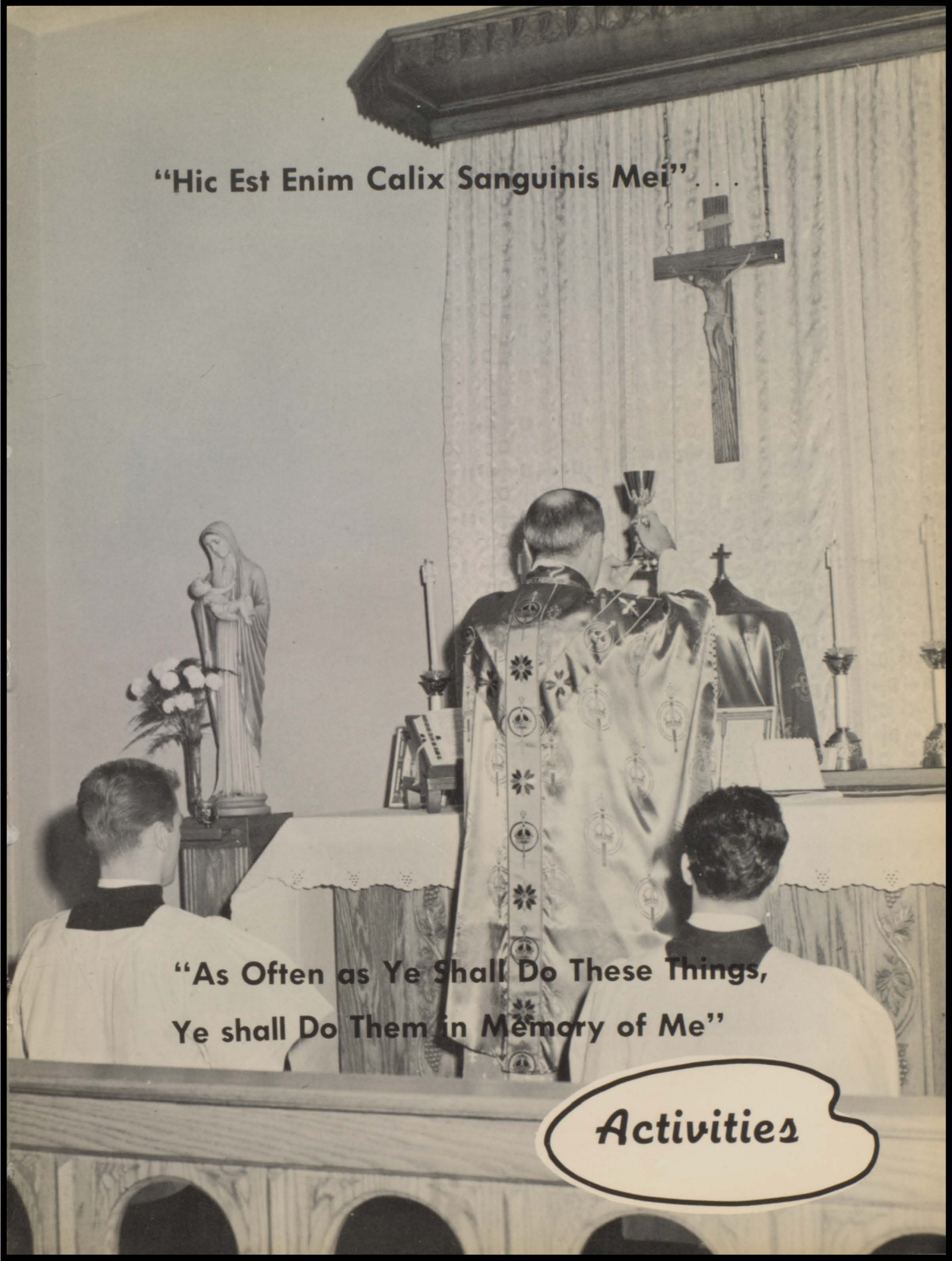


Bob, Sue, Pat, Brenda, and Eileen are grateful to Marlene Brock for a ride home after a hard day in school.



Cheerleaders take time to practice at lunch time.





**"Hic Est Enim Calix Sanguinis Mei" . . .**

**"As Often as Ye Shall Do These Things,  
Ye shall Do Them in Memory of Me"**

**Activities**



Javita, Gerry, and Eileen look on as Tony Vaz accepts.



Don't tell me he's at it again says Lucille Triano, Joan Kelch, and Javita Maestri.

## FRESHMAN DAY



Josephine Imposimato and Lucille Triano attempt to teach freshmen the "Bunny Hop".



Margaret Phillips and Patrick O'Hara wonder what the attraction is.





It's a bird, it's a plane, no -- it's a freshman.

Today is the day for the wearing of the green. No, it's not St. Patrick's Day, it's the day the Freshmen officially join the student body. On this day, wearing big green bows and placards, the freshmen beg the grand and glorious Seniors for the chance to answer their questions and carry their books. Freshman Day is a day that is planned for weeks; and everyone agrees it is always worth the work and energy.

To every Freshman, we, the Seniors, say, "Welcome and may your High School Years at St. James come up to all your expectations."



"Of course I'm proud to be a freshman," says Joannie.



Please, Brenda, won't you, at least, say "maybe."



What could possibly be next?



We must admit. . . they were all good sports.



With their eyes on their books, our future typists try to master speed and accuracy under the supervision of Sister Sheila.

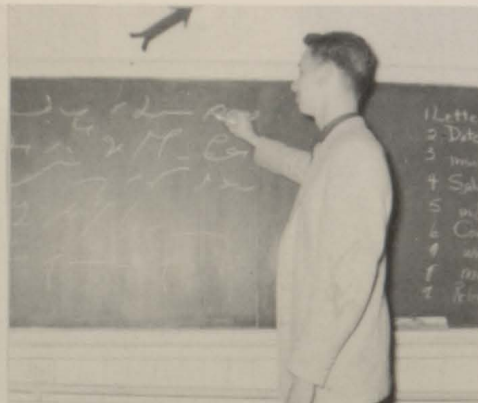
Primarily, we are being sent to St. James to obtain a high school education in the business field. The lessons which we learn in our classrooms are those which we will carry forth into the world upon graduation. We realize that this world of ours can be no better than its citizens, and we will be the citizens of tomorrow.

Speed, accuracy, and efficiency, our shining goals, were the secret to our success while willingness and cooperation were the uniting factors in these classes which made them so pleasant and successful!

Yes, although we may have grumbled at having to do shorthand assignments, at having to spend hours studying history, or at having to read Shakespeare, we realize all this is necessary to produce well-cultivated Catholic young men and women.



Be careful of those errors!  
Mary and Lucille.



Ed proves that shorthand can be  
done by the stronger sex.



Working hard? Lorraine and Mary.



# Seton Forensic League



EILEEN RAFTERY  
Poetry Contestant



DOLORES DULA  
MARY GALLACHER  
BEVERLY FOLEY  
Debaters



LUCILLE TRIANO  
Oratorical Declamation  
Contestant

Saint James High School enjoys membership in the Seton Forensic League, an organization under the direction of the Sisters of Charity of Saint Elizabeth. On December 17 Eileen Raftery competed in the Poetry Reading Contest. At the same session Lucille Triano was our competitor in the Oratorical Declamation. At the Forum which was held on February 4, Agnes Churchill was our panelist. The culmination of the Forensic activities for the scholastic year brought our Mother Mary Xavier Debating Society to Westfield on March 23 where Dolores Dula, Catherine Farrell, Beverly Foley, and Mary Gallacher proved themselves vibrant debaters.



BEVERLY FOLEY, MARY GALLACHER,  
CATHERINE FARRELL, DOLORES DULA  
Mother Mary Xavier Debating Society



AGNES CHURCHILL  
Forum Contestant



## OUR DAILY PETITION



O Lord, give me clean hands, clean words, clean thoughts.  
Help me to stand for the hard right against the easy wrong.  
Give me the courage to say "No" when "No" is mighty hard to say.  
Save me from the habits that harm.  
Teach me to lead my life always in Your sight.  
Forgive me when I am unkind, and help me to forgive others.  
Keep me ready to help others at some cost to myself.  
Send me chances to do a little good every day,  
To please You, to lead others a little closer to You,  
And so to grow more like You, my Leader, Christ.

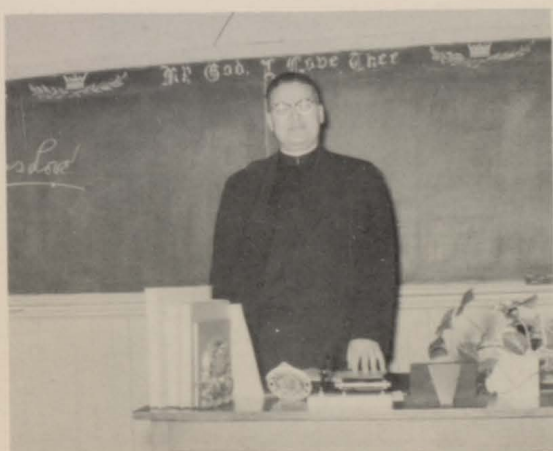




Father Hill is explaining that "God is Love."



A daily practice during our retreat was attending Mass.



Our Retreat Master  
THE REVEREND LAWRENCE HILL, S.J.

The last few days in January were special days that marked the annual retreat of Saint James High School. Reverend Lawrence Hill, S.J., conducted an annual retreat that will linger fondly in the reminiscences of all who heard him. Father Hill raised high expectations among the student body for a most successful retreat. No one was disappointed as Father's sermons and conferences were so designed that they reached and raised the spiritual plane of all attending them. Each morning began with the Sacrifice of the Mass and Holy Communion followed by breakfast in the cafeteria. Conferences were held for the entire student body before and after lunch. Father also conducted special senior conferences and still found time for individual guidance for those who sought it. The students spent their free time in private meditation, spiritual reading recitation of the rosary, visits to the Most Blessed Sacrament, and other devotional acts. Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament ended the day with God's personal blessing. On Friday morning following Mass and Holy Communion, breakfast was served to the student body in the school auditorium. After three days of silence, an effusive burst of conversation followed the saying of grace. Although joy shone forth radiantly, a strain of sadness was evident. Along the senior table it was most evident for this was the last high school retreat the Class of '57 would make.



Meditative Moments

# For Three Years The Word "Pelican"

## INTROSPECT IN RETROSPECT

This page tells the story behind the pages of the 1957 PELICAN. The yearbook staff was elected by the senior class in September, 1956. Work began in October when major decisions regarding finance and policy were concluded. The actual layout was plotted in November. Long weeks of work and worry reached completion when the book went to press in April.

Many people made this PELICAN a possibility. We extend deep gratitude to the faculty and administration of St. James High School for their aid and encouragement. We thank the student body for their support, and we express appreciation for our boosters and patrons for their generosity to us.

The yearbook staff merits praise for energy and effort. The staff was comprised by:

Brenda Carlson ..... Editor  
Eileen Raftery ..... Assistant Editor  
William Theiss ..... Business Managers  
Susan Tierney  
Arlene Durl ..... Typing  
Agnes Churchill  
Marlene Brock ..... Literary  
Lucille Triano  
Mary Helewa ..... Photography  
Anthony Vaz ..... Social  
Patrick O'Hara ..... Sports  
Edward Gilroy  
Robert Ryan ..... Art  
Javita Maestri

We owe our greatest debt, however, to our moderator, Sister Mary Sheila, who labored under overwhelming obstacles to produce this PELICAN for 1957.



Advisor: SISTER MARY SHEILA  
Editor: BRENDA CARLSON  
Assistant Editor: EILEEN RAFTERY



Business Managers: WILLIAM THEISS  
SUSAN TIERNEY



## *Has been on The lips of Each Student.*



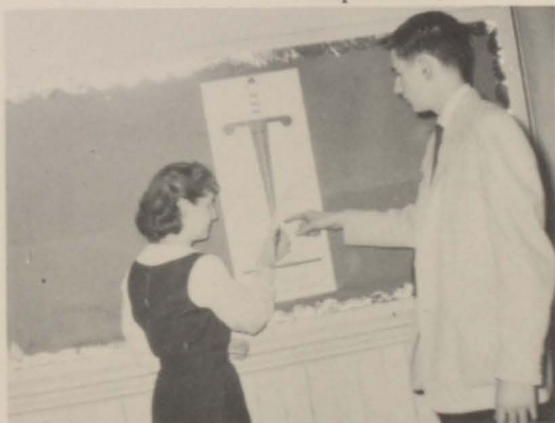
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## *They are Interested in Our Welfare and Ready to Help at any Time*



"Your brother could do better," answers Sister Mary Anita as Mr. Sinnott inquires about his brother John.



No tension here! Sister Sheila smilingly meets Mrs. Levay with her daughters, Audrey and Florence.



The camera catches "Marlene" escorting Mrs. Brock and Mrs. Carlson around the school.



Mr. John Bingert gives good reports on his students. Around the desk are Michael Mezza, Mrs. McDermott, Mr. McDermott and Mrs. Medenbach.



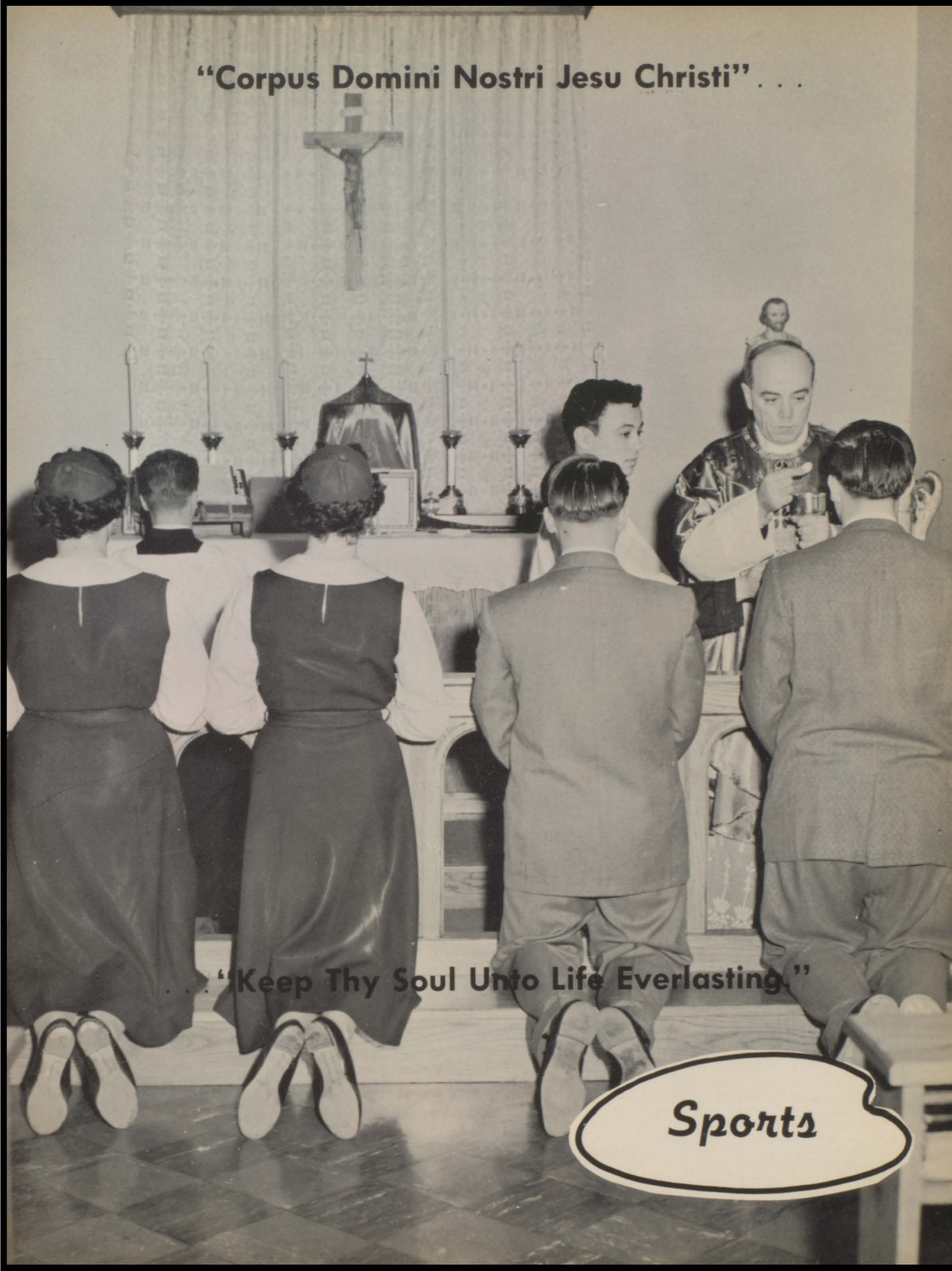
Sister Mary Sheila gives account of Stella Reo as she and her mother, father, and brother listen.



"Let's look at the record," says Mr. Zeltvay as he meets each parent.



**"Corpus Domini Nostri Jesu Christi" . . .**



**"Keep Thy Soul Unto Life Everlasting."**

***Sports***



ED GILROY

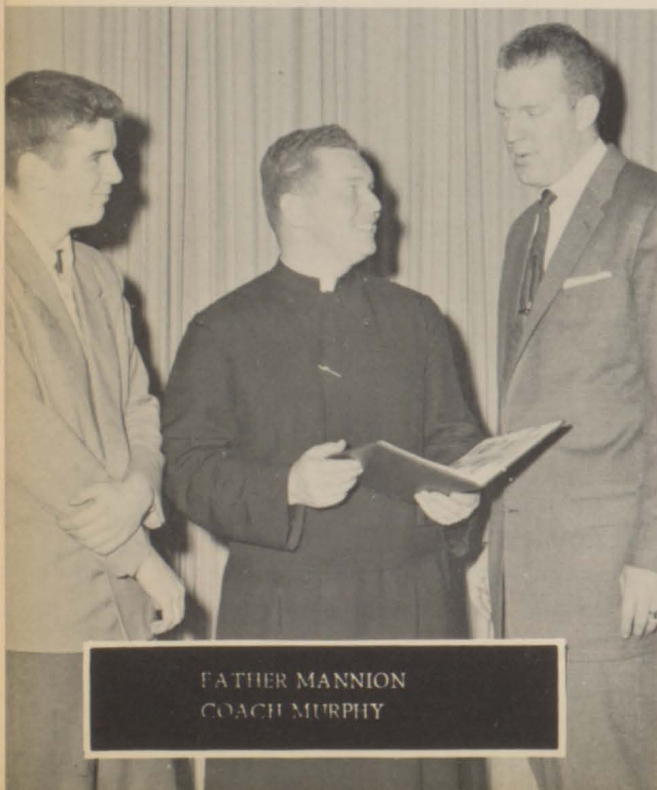


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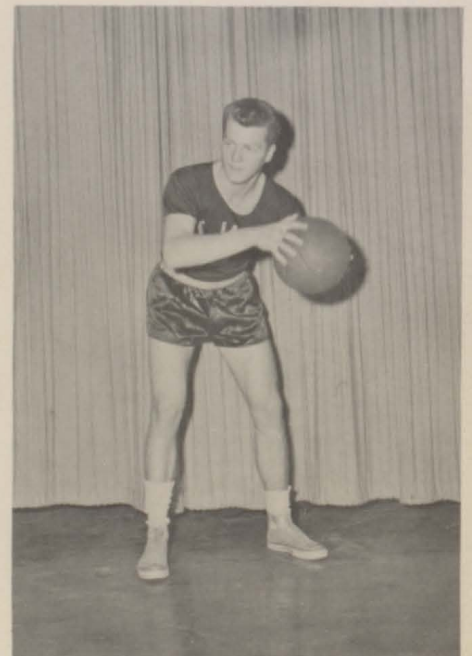


RALPH MEZZA

## *Varsity*



FATHER MANNION  
COACH MURPHY



PAT O'HARA



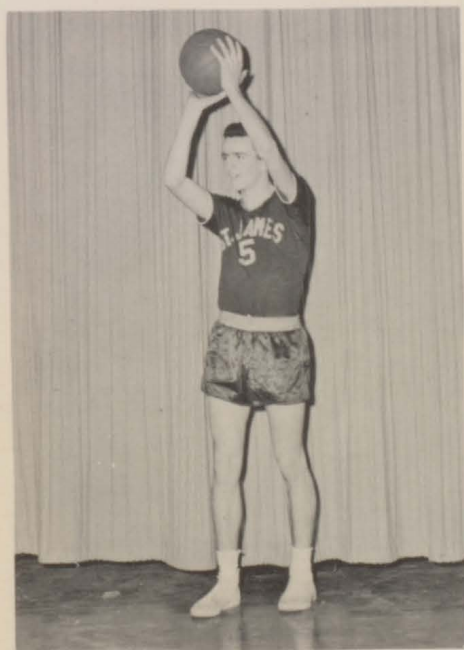


BOB, PAT, and EDDY



BOB SMITH

## Basketball



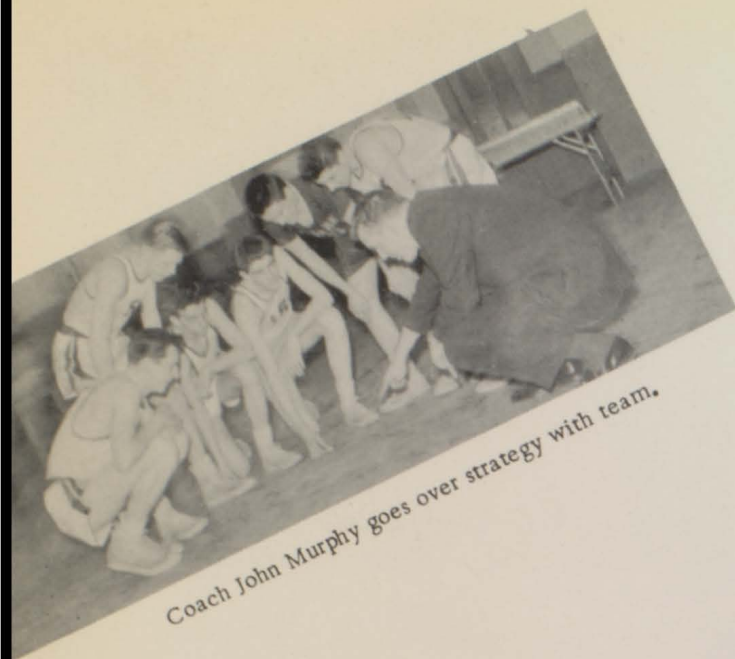
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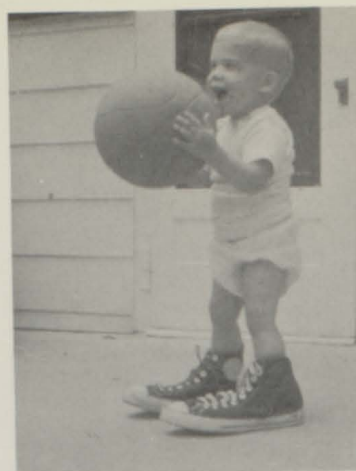
TOM WARD



JOE McDERMOTT



Coach John Murphy goes over strategy with team.



Little Kevin Regan shows his enthusiasm for basketball at an early age.

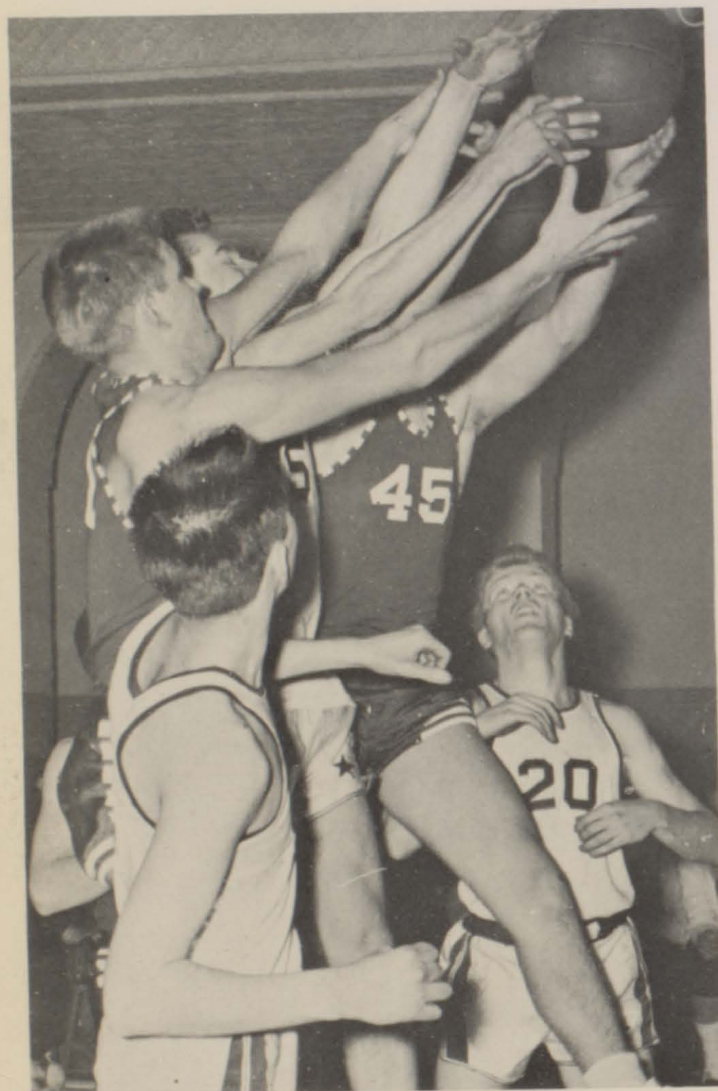
## Saint Basketball

### DECEMBER

- 2 - Archbishop Walsh
- 7 - Barringer
- 12 - Arts High
- 16 - Holy Trinity
- 19 - Sacred Heart
- 22 - St. Cecilia's
- 26 - Alumni
- 30 - Our Lady of the Valley

### JANUARY

- 4 - St. Michael's
- 11 - Holy Trinity



Tall man's game?



A little get together before practice.





Future Headliners!

## James Schedule

- 15 - Good Counsel
- 18 - Irvington Tech.
- 22 - Arts High
- 28 - Good Counsel
- FEBRUARY
- 1 - East Side
- 6 - Queen of Peace
- 10 - Sacred Heart
- 13 - St. Cecilia's
- 17 - Queen of Peace



Ready aim, fire.

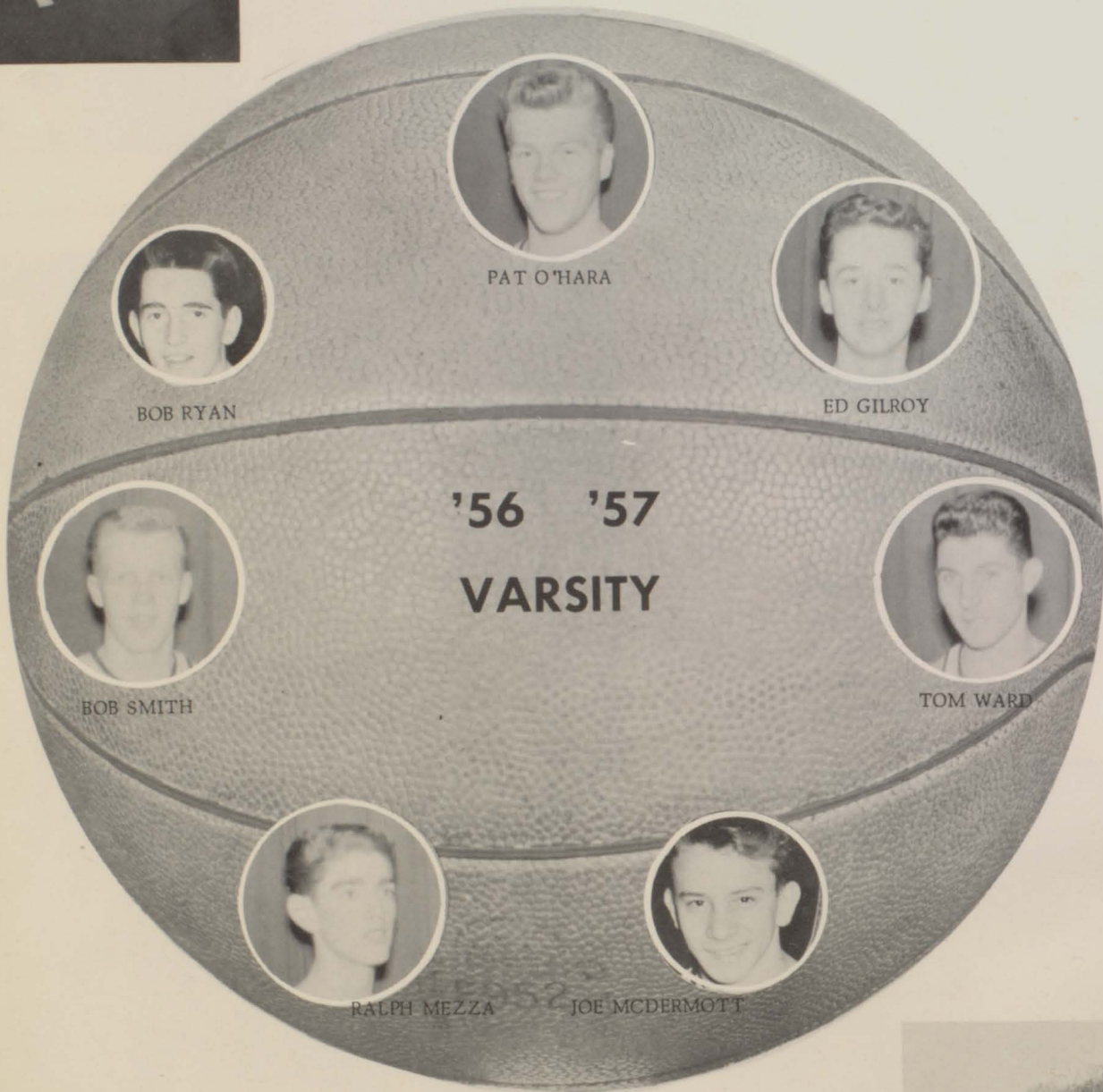


Basketball is a fine sport, but don't lose your head over it.



Oh, I can't bear to look.

A tribute of sincere gratitude to  
Father Mannion for his untiring efforts  
in our behalf.



A tribute of deep appreciation to  
our coach, John Murphy, for his noble  
leadership in our sports program.





FIRST ROW: Frank Garilis, Ronald Solinski, Joseph Alves. SECOND ROW: John Gaven, Michael Mezza, Robert Liput, John Fitzsimmons. THIRD ROW: John Sinnott, Joseph Ryan.



FIRST ROW: Patricia Lockwood, Captain; Giovina Russo, Co-Captain. SECOND ROW: Dorothy Kurtz, Eleanor Szczygliska, Mary Rox, Judy Krebs. THIRD ROW: Dolores David, Elizabeth Morris, Joanne Torsiello, Florence Levay.

The hours which we spend on the basketball court are full of hard work and concentrated effort. Our main objective is to build a team which will work together with good sportsmanship. Not only are our bodies developed physically, but we are being trained morally to understand that we must play fairly and honestly at all times.

The spirit among the students, as far as game attendance is concerned, has always been very good. This is due in no small part to our cheerleaders who are always full of pep and vigor needed to cheer the team and lead the student body.



Father Mannion and Coach John Murphy take time out to pose with the Varsity and JV Cheerleaders.



FIRST ROW: Grace Johnson, Mary Ann Petitt, Sue Tierney, Brenda Carlson, Rose Marie D'Amato.  
SECOND ROW: Joan Pignatora, Mary Arpaio, Ann Capobianco, Marlene Brock, Claire Faas. THIRD ROW: Javita Maestri, Captain, Lucille Triano, Co-Captain.



# "GO SAINT JAMES!"



Marlene Brock



Brenda Carlson



Javita Maestri - Captain  
Lucille Triano - Co-captain



Mary Arpaio



Susan Tierney



Joan Pignatora



## Last Will and Testament

We, the class of nineteen hundred and fifty-seven, being of somewhat sound mind and even more questionable intelligence, do hereby make this, our last will and testament, in the following manner;

TO FATHER GRADY: We wish to extend our thanks in deep sincerity for making our stay at St. James a pleasant one.

TO FATHER McCARTHY: We leave the hope that his next religion class will know the definition of marriage.

TO FATHER MANNION: We leave those boys who are going to win the titles to keep St. James first in "SPORT HEADLINES."

TO FATHER DREW: We bequeath the happy memory of having skipped the class of '57 for religion.

TO SISTER ELAINE MARIE: We leave the hope that the next Senior class will stay in the cafeteria during lunch time.

TO SISTER MARY SHEILA: We leave happy (?) memories of the class of June 1957, and the hope that another class will be lucky enough to enjoy her friendly guidance.

TO SISTER MARY ANITA: We leave the hope that her next Senior Class will find the reading of "MACBETH" enjoyable.

TO MR. ZELTVAY: We leave the memory of the class of '57, which he never had the pleasure of teaching.

TO MR. BINGERT: We leave a long playing unbreakable record saying, "IT'S IN THE BOOK."

TO MISS CUIDERA: We hope she will find a class that will do some "REAL TRUNK BOBBING."

TO MR. MURPHY: We leave the hope that he will someday become President of the "BUICK AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION."

TO MISS ZYMEK: We leave an assistant to aid her in giving Salk injections.

TO HIRAM: We leave him the duty of ordering the cafeteria after the high school lunch period.

TO MR. MIELE: We expressly designate our hope that his next class in "Consumers" will be more consuming.

TO MRS. FEDERICI: We bequeath the memory of the sweet notes that flowed so softly and gently from the "voice boxes" of the seniors.

TO THE JUNIORS: We leave the PELICAN and the responsibilities that go with it. May they hold it in honor and carry on its great symbol.

TO THE SOPHOMORES: We leave the delight of two years to look forward to. It is up to them to set the good example for those just entering.

TO THE FRESHMEN: We leave the thrill and sensation of getting to know St. James better, and we are quite sure the next three years will be pleasant ones.

TO SAINT JAMES: The sad recollection that we no longer will be with you in person, but never will we leave you in spirit.

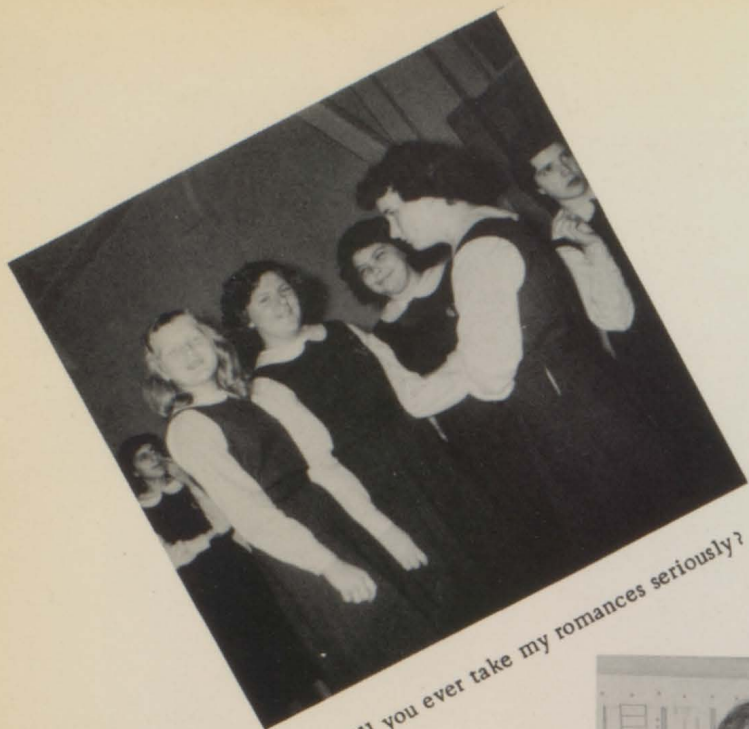






Would it be one of those classic freshman answers that makes Father Drew smile? Father derives great enjoyment from his teaching.

A true friend and spiritual father to the young people of St. James Parish is Father Albert Drew, our new curate. Our gain was a loss for Queen of Angels, Newark, from where he was transferred to St. James last year. Father Drew serves on the faculty of our school as instructor in religion for the freshmen, a fortunate group of students. In addition to teaching, Father has all the usual parish duties which he performs with Christ-like zeal. Father, besides being spiritual director, likes to take an active part in our games and fun. The altar servers look up to him for guidance and example. Boys from the fourth grade through high school are always willing to lend their friend a hand any time he needs them. The public high school boys and girls need not live in ignorance of their holy faith, for Father Drew holds classes to instruct them in the chief truths of religion.



Will you ever take my romances seriously?



Ed Gilroy and Claire Faas are caught posing.

## A Quick Look ..



"INTERMISSION"  
get-together



"ENTERTAINMENT PLUS"



No slugs, "Please".



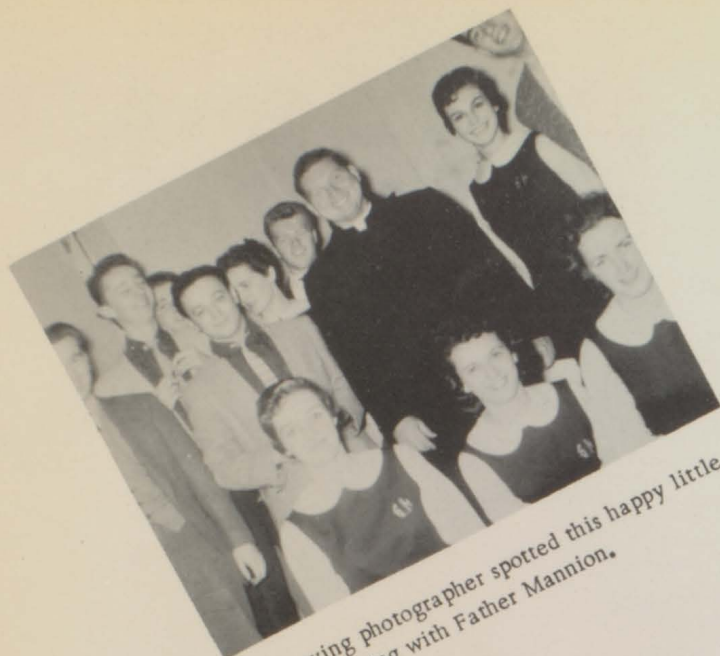


Presented here is a pleasant panorama of swirling couples.

## *At Us In Action*



The bell for dismissal has rung - but this group of Seniors seem to enjoy "overtime".



The roving photographer spotted this happy little group chatting with Father Mannion.



Father Mannion seems to be very happy. "Did St. James win?"



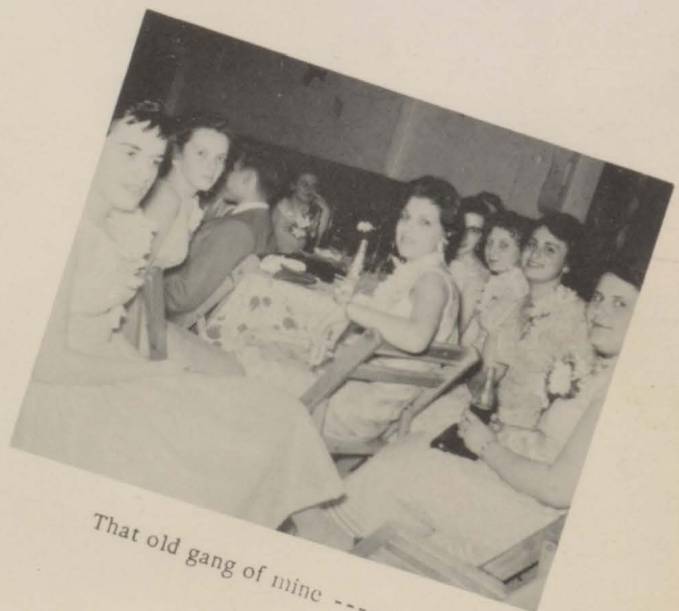
"Sister". . . . "I want to be a nurse."



Senior girls take time to pose with their mothers on Parents' Night.



Who's who in this mixed up mess?



That old gang of mine -----

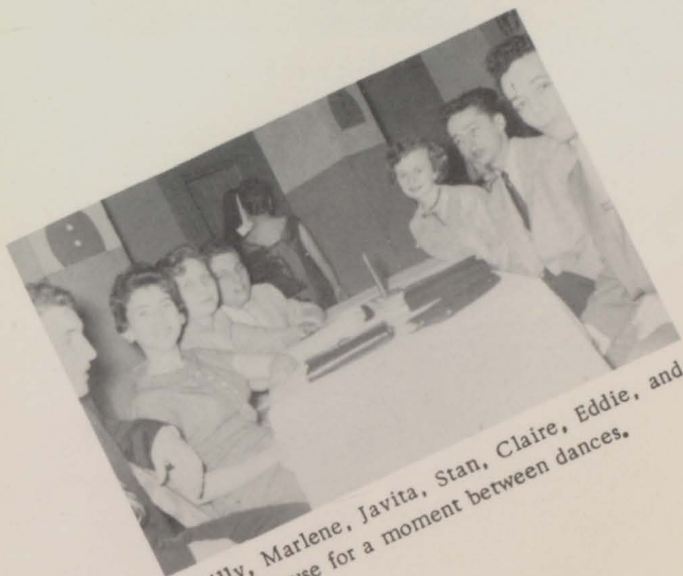




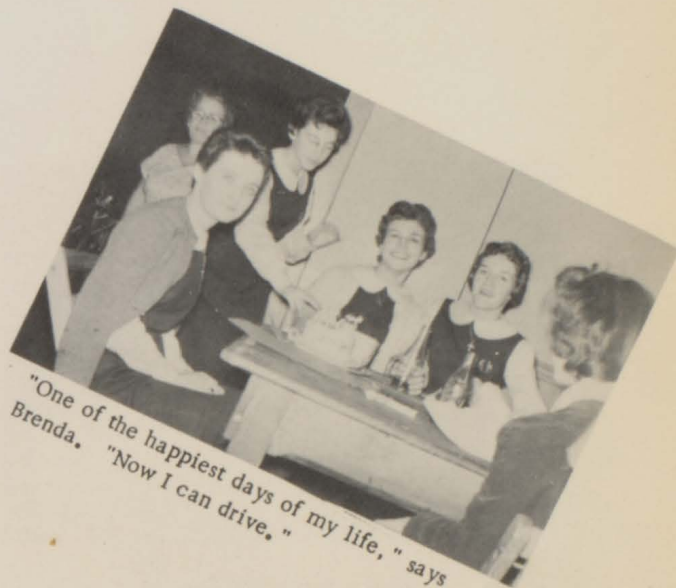
Mr. Bingert has no choice ----he must recognize the feminine influence.



"Rogues Gallery"



Billy, Marlene, Javita, Stan, Claire, Eddie, and Tony pause for a moment between dances.



"One of the happiest days of my life, " says Brenda. "Now I can drive."

ALL ABOARD !!!





Seniors offer their best attention in Father McCarthy's religion class.



"Hold that pose, Sue."



A nice looking chaperon!



Thinking or dreaming, Mr. Miele.



Really, Josephine, Sister Sheila is not checking on you! She is simply seeing if her watch tallies with the school clock.



Without Hiram and Mr. Harrington I don't know what we would do.





**"Ite Missa Est" . . .**

**"May Almighty God, the Father, and the Son,  
and the Holy Ghost. Bless You."**

**Commencement**





## Commencement

. . . means "beginning" and as we near the last pages of our PELICAN, we realize, too, that we are nearing the last days of our high school career. As our yearbook has recorded, these have been days filled with happiness. . . and we have precious memories unique to each of our four years at St. James'.

Our senior year, of course, provides us with the most recent supply of fond flashbacks. . . an inspiring three day Retreat. . . the Senior Talent Show . . . participation in the Variety Show . . . and now graduation is almost upon us.

In a spirit of gratitude to our pastor, Father Grady, to our Sisters and teachers, we promise to strive for the high ideals they have set before us by "Living the Mass" each day anew, as we commence our adult Catholic careers. . .







"My Mass goes on . . .

. . . While writing, while sweeping, talking on business matters, using a typewriter, handling pick or shovel . . . doing simply what I ought to be doing during these twenty-four hours, I am saving souls . . . I am helping the Blood of Christ to give life to such and such a dying member. My Mass continues . . ."

LIVING THE MASS, Desplanques

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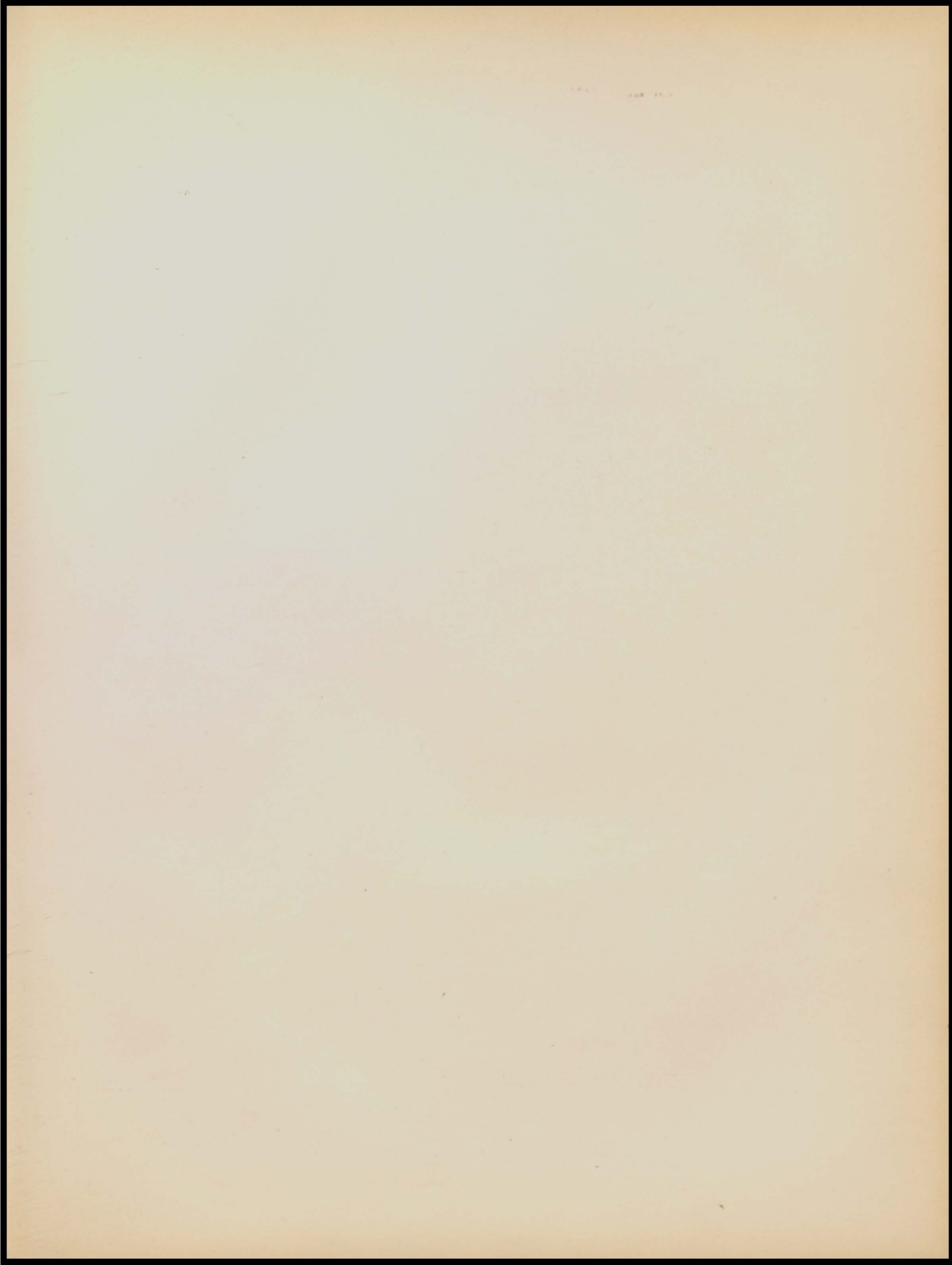
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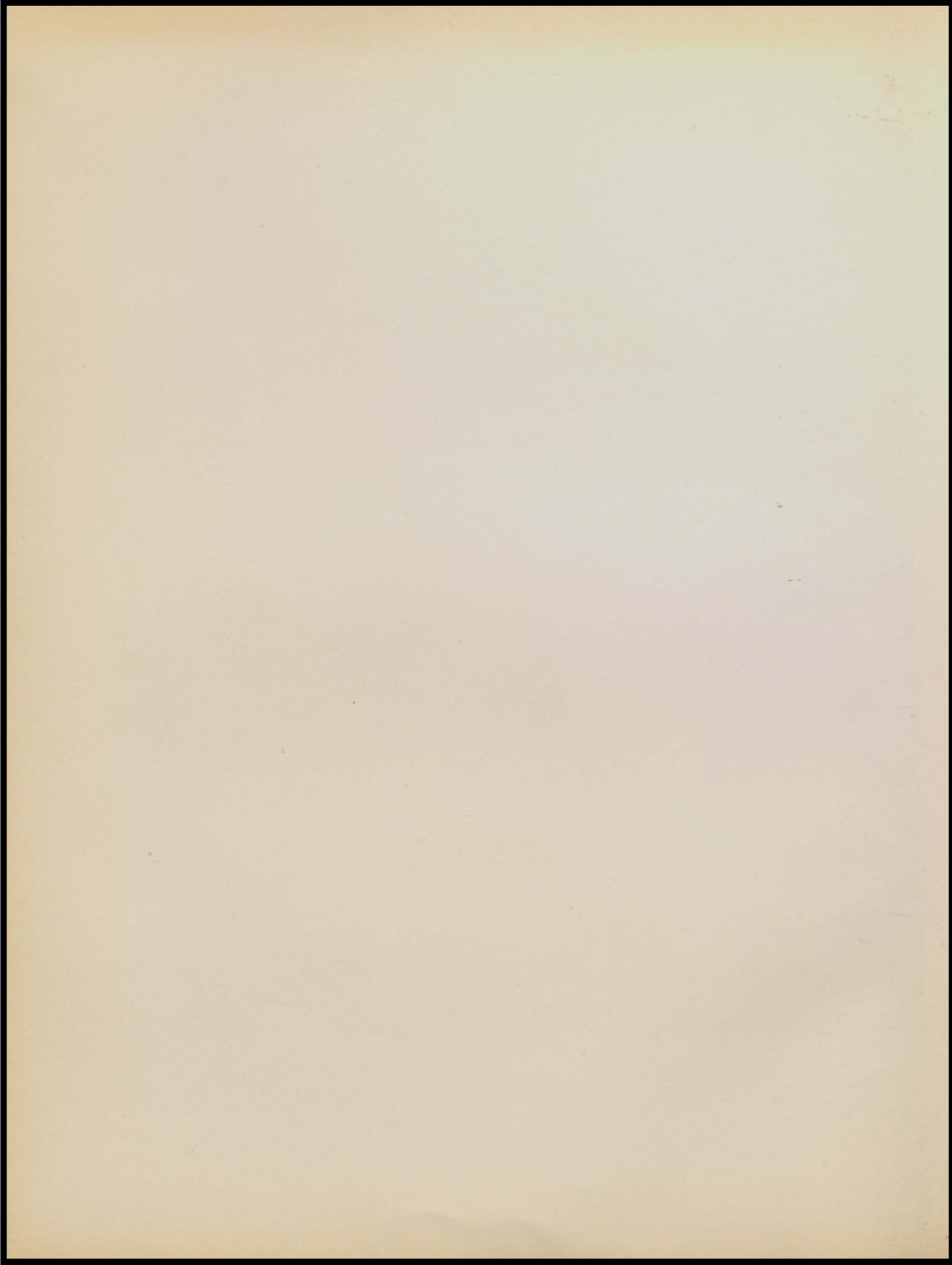












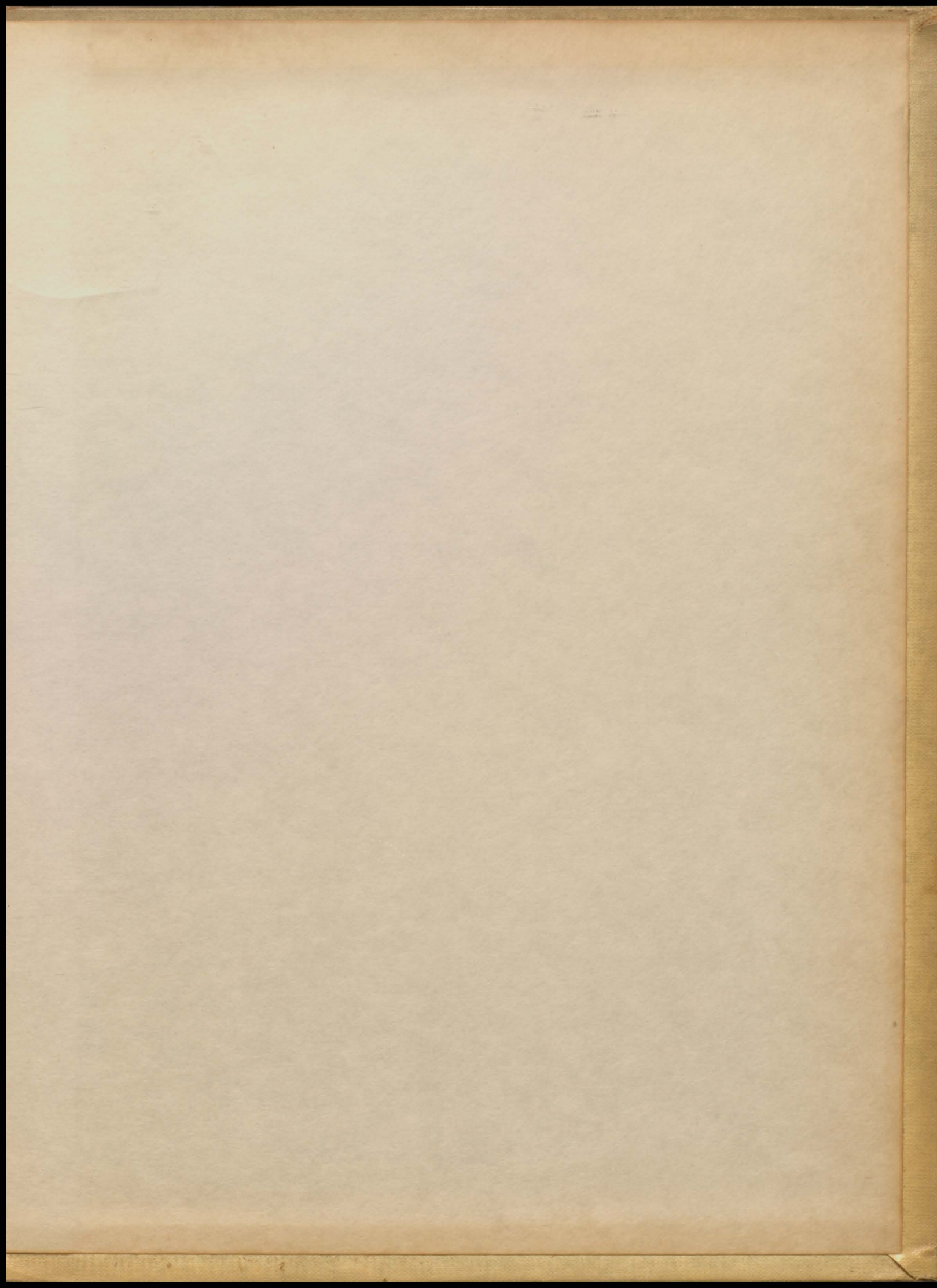


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